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To whom it may concern,

I feel that the proposed settlements in the Microsoft case are poor. The punishment in this case does not fit the crime, and I would perhaps compare it to a murder trial where the defendant is found guilty but given one year in jail with the possibility of being let out early on good behaviour as the punishment.

The company is too large and too all-encompassing for this matter to be taken lightly. There is no innovation in the desktop marketplace and dare I say in any marketplace in which Microsoft has a interest.

To summarize, I feel that harsher penalties should be imposed on Microsoft. These penalties should be well thought out in terms of competition and the market, perhaps by an entity that has been here for some time and has nothing to gain or loose by this. Perhaps the EFF (electronic frontier foundation)?

Thank you for your time.

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